

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR

DATE: 10 October 1950

FROM : Messrs. Babbitt, Montague, and VanSlyck *

SUBJECT: Plan for a CIA Office of Estimates

1. Pursuant to your oral instructions given on 7 October we submit, in Enclosure A, an outline plan for a CIA Office of Estimates.

2. The end in view cannot be accomplished by reorganization within CIA alone. Successful implementation of this plan will require complementary action to ensure adequate research support by the departmental agencies and a cooperative attitude in the process of final coordination of estimates. The plan should not be put into effect until these requirements have been reasonably met.

3. Details of the structure and strength of the Office of Estimates will depend to a considerable extent on the composition and capabilities of the proposed Office of Research, as well as upon the degree of research support which can be reasonably expected from the departmental agencies, especially OIR. Consequently the elaboration of Enclosure A should be deferred until these matters are sufficiently clarified to afford a sound basis for further planning.

4. Some concrete problems which will arise in the course of reorganization with CIA and related negotiations with the IAC agencies are set forth in Enclosure B.

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